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SRI K. V. RAMASWAMI : —" ஏழைகளின் உணவு பதனீர். அவர்கள் அதை ஏராளமாக வாங்கி சாப்பிடத் தயாராக இருக்கிறார்கள். இந்த நிலைமையில் தாராளமாக licence வழங்குவதற்கு ஏன் தயங்கவேண்டும் ? தயங்காமல் licence வழங்குவதற்கு நடவடிக்கை எடுக்கப்படுமா ? "

THE HON. SRIMATHI JOTHI VENCATACHELLUM :—" The Government will have no objection to issue licences if the hon. Member will stand surety for the individual's respect and responsibility." (Laughter.)

SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR :—" The Hon. the Minister for Prohibition was just now saying that permits were given to tap neera (sweet toddy) in Malabar also. Will the Hon. Minister be pleased to state at least one place where permit was given to tap neera, that is, for drinking, and not for manufacturing jaggery? In that sense, is there any place in Malabar where permit for tapping neera was given? As far as my information goes, no such permit was given."

THE HON. SRIMATHI JOTHI VENCATACHELLUM :—" The presumption of the hon. Member is quite correct, Sir. No permit was given in the Malabar district for tapping of neera to be used as beverage."

Assignment of poramboke lands close to village sites.

* 348 *Q.*—SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state how poramboke lands lying close to village sites are dealt with in the matter of assignment according to G.O. No. 1523, Revenue, dated 11th June 1949?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :— " Porambokes are normally not assigned. If porambokes close to village sites are in excess of requirement of the communal purpose for which they were set apart, the excess is utilized for other communal purposes. If there is still any excess, it may be assigned if there are no other lands available for assignment in the taluk."

SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN :—" What are the communal purposes for which these porambokes are intended? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" For grazing, cattle-stand and for so many other purposes. I think the hon. Member also knows about it."

Stationing of fire engines in South Arcot district.

* 349 *Q.*—SRI M. KATTIMUTHU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether the Government have any proposal for stationing fire engines in each of the taluks of South Arcot district?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" The Government have no such proposal at present."

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Sri M. KATTIMUTHU :—" இந்த ராஜ்யத்திலே குடிசையில் வாழும் மக்கள் அதிகமென்பது அரசாங்கத்துக்குத் தெரிந்த விஷயம். அபபடி இருக்கும்பொழுது ஒவ்வொரு தாலுகாவிலும் **Fire Engine** ஏற்படுத்துவதற்கு தயங்குவது ஏன் ? குடிசையை நம்பி வாழும் மக்கள் சௌகரியமாக வாழவேண்டுமானால் ஒவ்வொரு தாலூகாவிலும், ஒவ்வொரு பிர்க்காவிலும் **Fire Engine** வைக்கவேண்டும். இதற்கு அரசாங்கம் தக்க நடவடிக்கை எடுத்துக்கொள்வார்களா ?"

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" It may be possible to station fire engines even in every village, but we have to take into account the funds available, and now we are trying to locate fire engine stations at least in the urban areas in every municipality."

Sri V. R. NAGARAJAN :—" While I am thankful to this Government for stationing fire engines in certain places like my town, Villupuram, may I request them not to transfer the fire engine from the place where it is located now to the Anjaneyar Kovil, Villupuram, because that will be unnecessarily competing with the temple? "

Mr. SPEAKER :—" The main question is a general one. The hon. Member puts a supplementary question about a specific case."

Sri V. R. NAGARAJAN :—" Sir, the fire engine is in the taluk headquarters. I request that it may not be transferred from the place where it is now stationed because that will be competing with a temple presided by a deity who once taught a very good lesson to the Government of Ravana." (Laughter.)

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" I think it is not necessary to answer the question."

Sri K. PARTHASARATHY :—" Are the Government aware that the present fire stations are located in the eastern portion of the South Arcot district and, if so, will the Government consider the desirability of opening a fire station in the western portion of the district? "

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" This is not a question of discrimination between the east and the west. We thought that we should locate fire stations in all municipalities and Cuddalore, Villupuram and Chidambaram happen to be municipalities where such stations have been located."

Sri P. RAMAMURTHI :—" நெருப்பணைக்கும் படையை ஆஞ்சநேயர் கோவிலுக்குப் பக்கத்தில் வைக்க ஆலோசிப்பதாகச் சொல்லப்படுகிறது. ஆஞ்சநேயர் தன் வாலினால் இலங்கையைக் கொளுத்தியதுபோல் இவ்வூரைக் கொளுத்திவிடுவார் என்ற பயமா ? "

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" He has only amplified the other hon. Member's question and he should be satisfied with the question itself."

Sri A. AIYANAR :—" தீ அணைக்கும் படையினருக்கு மற்ற போலீஸ் சிப்பந்திகளுக்குக் கொடுக்கப்படும் சம்பளம் கொடுக்கப்படுமா ?"

Mr. SPEAKER :—" The hon. Member may give notice of a separate question."